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# Macmillan cancer environments fact sheet

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Typical cancer environments include:

- hospital and community based cancer information and support centres
- cancer treatment units, where patients can receive chemotherapy and other treatments
- breast care units and other specialist units for different types of cancer
- inpatient units for patients requiring palliative care.

## Key facts

Macmillan cancer treatment and care environments helped **64,000** people in **2008**.

We built and equipped the first Macmillan cancer care unit in **1975**.

Visit [macmillan.org.uk/environments](http://macmillan.org.uk/environments) for more information.

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